



Prayers for the weekend of October 11, 2026

Walking in the light of God's love, and sharing that light with each other, let us pray for the church, the world, and for all according to their need.

Holy God, the light of your love guides the ministry of your church throughout the world. Help us be a beacon of care to all, and a promise of hope in a sometimes confused and hurting world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise of green pastures and quiet waters. Preserve all places of natural beauty and restore our relationship with the land. Bless the work of our volunteers who go out into our community today to clean up the land and waterways of our community. Teach us all to care for the world you have made. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise to wipe away every tear. Heal and console all who are sick or suffering. We pray especially for the hospitalized, and for those requesting our prayer; Judy Hinz, and for those whom we name in our hearts now. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember your promise of a banquet open to all people. Teach us to open wide our doors and welcome everyone to your table of grace. As we celebrate those who are joining our congregation, bless us all with new beginnings, and vision for serving you together with all our heart. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We remember those who have gone before us, as we also lift up in pray those who grieve. We pray for the family of Jason Brinker as they mourn his death, and for the family of Carolyn Kading, as they mourn her death. Comfort them with the promises of your eternal love. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Interested in becoming a member? Want to know more about Our Savior's? Join us at 10am between worship services on October 11, 18 & 25 for our next new member session.

Let's put our creation stewardship into action! On Sunday, October 11, we will join with the Friends of the Big Sioux River to do a cleanup of the river banks at Spencer Park at 1:30 PM. Be sure to wear closed-toe shoes and long sleeves and pants are encouraged. Supplies will be provided. All are welcome!

We are excited to continue partnering with Susan B. Anthony (SBA) by supporting the staff who go above and beyond in their classrooms! Stop by the Library and pick an apple to see items on a teacher's wish list! All items purchased can be returned to the Library for delivery to SBA!

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Audio and TV operators are needed for worship services. Training will be provided and your schedule is flexible to match your availability. Having good hearing and a spirit to serve is all that is needed. Contact Gene LeVasseur, Director of Worship, to give it a try.

Join us on Wednesday, October 14 for our Fall Festival! Start with our High School Youth Group Pizza Fundraiser from 5:15–6:00 PM, with Costco pizza for \$3 a slice. At 6:00 PM, come in costume for a parade through the Celebrate Center, followed by trick-or-treat bag decorating and fun in the gym! Please RSVP, especially if you plan to join us for pizza. Contact Madeline for details.

All are welcome to join us for a forum on Sunday, October 18th at 10am in the Friendship Room. Discover how God is at work through the ministry of the Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center, and learn how you can support this ministry through prayer, giving, or a visit.

We are collecting blankets and warm clothes to donate to the Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center. You are invited to bring in new or gently used warm winter items to share with our neighbors there. Please drop them off at OSL before October 18th.

You are invited to join us for a book talk with our OSL Community Librarian, Kristie Schreck, on Thursday, October 15th at 1pm. We will be discussing the book *There's No Place Like Hope*. Sign up in the OSL Library!

Join us for a day of cleaning up the outdoor spaces at OSL before the cold weather sets in! Come to OSL on Tuesday, October 27th, from 8:30am-12pm. Pizza will be served afterwards. No sign up required, just come join the fun and serve our Church together in a practical way!

The congregation is invited to a confirmation class on Wednesday evening, October 28 at 6 PM in the celebrate center. The pastoral staff will be present as a panel as we talk about Martin Luther's Teaching on living humble, powerful lives. Come and think about your life as we talk about being both "sinner and saint"---always at the same time! We'll be done by 7 PM.

You are invited to volunteer with OSL at our Augustana Hockey Parking Fundraisers for the 2026-2027 season! This is a great way for all ages to serve together and help raise funds for OSL programs and partner organizations. Sign up at the Welcome Center or call the Church Office.

Rejoice Circle would like to issue a challenge to all OSL groups and members: gather 500 non-perishable food items for feeding South Dakota in the month of October. If we can do it, Thrivent will donate \$500 to Feeding South Dakota. It's a win-win! Bring items to the back counter in the Gathering Place at OSL for collection.

Join us for a Congregation Forum on Saturday, November 21, following worship, or Sunday, November 22, at 10:00 a.m. Bring your questions and be part of the conversation and fellowship as we gather. We look forward to seeing you there.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church's TV Ministry is a meaningful extension of our worship ministry, bringing God's Word, music, and message of hope to those who are unable to join us in person. Each weekend broadcast offers worship, comfort, and encouragement to those who are homebound, facing health challenges, traveling, or living far from Sioux Falls. Through this ministry, lives are touched by God's Word in ways we may never fully know. We invite you to celebrate a special occasion, honor a loved one, remember someone dear, or support this important ministry by sponsoring a weekend broadcast for \$250. Sponsors are recognized by having their name, or the name of the person being honored or remembered, included in the broadcast credits and printed in the weekend bulletins. A TV Ministry sponsorship is a lasting way to share faith, hope, and love while helping others stay connected to worship and the church family. To sponsor a broadcast, please contact the Church Office at 605-336-2942 at least two weeks before your desired weekend. Thank you for helping us reach hearts, strengthen faith, and share the love of Christ with our community and beyond.

Stephen Ministers Are There to Help: Mind, Body, and Soul and how God calls us to care for these gifts.

We are meant to be in community. Paul writes in Gal 6:2: “Bear one another’s burdens, ...”. In order to best care for our mind, body, and soul, we must be willing to share that which burdens us. So if any one of life’s many stresses has burdened you, request a Stephen Minister to walk with you. Our Stephen Ministers are trained to share another’s burden by confidential, nonjudgmental, active listening. Whether your concerns are related to work, family, relationship, loss, or something else, talking about the issue is much better than “toughing it out” on your own. It can even help a “no big deal” issue from becoming bigger. So call up your courage and ask Pr. Tim about having a Stephen Minister. You will be blessed.

Upcoming Events:

- 10/11/26: New Member Class, Session 1, 10am
River Clean-Up with Friends of the Big Sioux River (Spencer Park), 1:30pm
- 10/12/26: Church Office & OSL Community Library closed for Indigenous Peoples’ Day
- 10/14/26: Pizza Fundraiser, 5:15-6pm; Fall Festival 6pm-7pm
- 10/15/26: A Book Talk with Kristie, 1pm
Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm
- 10/18/26: Forum: Pine Ridge Reconciliation, 10am
New Member Class, Session 2, 10am
- 10/21/26: 9th Grade Confirmation Banquet, 6pm
- 10/25/26: New Member Class, Session 3, 10am
- 10/27/26: Outdoor Clean-Up Day, 8:30am
- 10/30/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 5:30pm
- 10/31/26: Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser, 4:30pm
- 11/01/26: Confirmation Service, 8:45am; New Member Recognition (all services)